

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY QUITO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3314

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CASC, EC (YODER/HERSCHBERGER)  
SUBJECT: W/W - MISSING AMERICANS

REF: A) STATE 041601, B) QUITO 8435

1. SINCE UOMOBONO BORN IN FRANCE HE MAY BE ASSUMED NATIVE FRENCH  
SPEAKER. GIVEN HIS NAME, HOWEVER, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT ITALIAN WAS  
ALSO, OR EXCLUSIVELY, SPOKEN IN HOME.

2. WACKENHUT INTERVIEW AND STRESS ANALYSIS NOT PASSED TO ECUADORIAN  
POLICE BECAUSE DOCUMENTS DO NOT LINK UOMOBONO TO YODER AND HERSCHBERG  
ER,  
WHO ONLY CONNECTED BY CARRION STATEMENT THAT LATTER WERE GOING TO  
MEET A FRENCHMAN AFTER HE LEFT THEM IN MACAS, AND SEVILLA'S GARBLED  
REPORT OF UOMOBONO'S CONCERN FOR HIS FRIEND, KALISH (REF B). MARIN'S  
CONCLUSION THAT UOMOBONO PROBABLY NOT CONCERNED WITH DISAPPEARANCE  
SUPPORTED CONSUL'S DECISION NOT TO FURTHER INVOLVE HIM WITH POLICE  
WITHOUT MORE SOLID BASIS.

3. EL COMERCIO ARTICLE JANUARY 26 DID STATE THAT POLICE LOOKING  
FOR UOMOBONO, BUT AT TIME OF HIS VISIT TO EMBASSY JANUARY 31, TO INQU  
IRE  
ABOUT MARK'S TRAVEL PLANS AND OBTAIN VISA FOR US, HE HAD HAD NO  
CONTACT WITH POLICE. MENTIONED BY NAME AGAIN IN EL COMERCIO  
JANUARY 30, HE WAS VERY DISTURBED BY THE ADVERSE PUBLICITY  
WHICH, HE SAID, WITH OTHER YODER FAMILY ACTIVITIES HAD COST  
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HIM HIS JOB. ACCORDING TO FRENCH EMBASSY, HE HAS  
NOT BEEN ARRESTED  
IN ECUADOR, SO IT IS POSSIBLE THAT HE HAS LEFT COUNTRY FOR US WITH-  
OUT COMMUNICATING FURTHER WITH THIS EMBASSY. ON VISA APPLICATION  
HE GAVE AS US ADDRESS: 65 BROADWAY, LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA.  
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